

**REGULAR SESSION  
BADEN BOROUGH COUNCIL  
NOVEMBER 18, 2015**

Council President Mrs. Montell called the Regular Session of Council to order at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Baden Municipal Building, 149 State Street, to conduct business of general purposes.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Mr. Besong, Mr. Kotula, Ms. Michaels, Mr. Shelkons, Mr. Stuban, Mr. Trzcianka and Ms. Montell

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mayor Gagliardi, Engineer Tony Sadaka and Attorney James Amato

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OTHER RECORDING DEVICES**

**AGENDA (Changes and/or Deletions)**

**VISITORS**

- Mr. Tom Turney from 334 State St. spoke against raising Property Taxes.
- Mrs. Nelson from 538 Lincoln Ave. spoke about her neighbor having a wood pile in his yard. Mr. Besong and Mr. Trzcianka stated they would look into it.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of October 19<sup>th</sup> and 21, 2015

**MOTION** by Mr. Stuban, second by Ms. Michaels, carried unanimously to accept the minutes.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS TO BE PAID**

**MOTION** by Mr. Trzcianka, second by Ms. Michaels, carried unanimously to pay all bills with two signatures.

**RESOLUTIONS - None**

**ORDINANCES**

- 941 – Striking Chapter 170 in its entirety from the borough code.  
**MOTION** by Mr. Stuban, second Ms. Michaels, carried unanimously to table.
- 942 – Establishing the licensing and inspection of all rental units and establishing fees. **MOTION** by Mr. Stuban, second Mr. Besong carried unanimously to table.
- 943 - Providing a new chapter for neighborhood blight reclamation.  
**MOTION** by Mr. Trzcianka, second by Ms. Michaels to adopt carried unanimously.
- 944 - Fixing the 2016 tax rate at 26.5 mills.  
Referred to Mr. Stuban's report.

**BIDS – (None)**

**CORRESPONDENCE – (None)**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Administration & Finance (Michael Stuban)**

Financial Balance

General Fund Balance \$87,386.67

Water Fund Balance \$98,662.04

**MOTION** Mr. Stuban to approve the 2016 General Fund Budget second by Mr. Trzcianka. Mr. Besong voted no.

**Roll Call** to approve the 2016 General Fund Budget

Mr. Besong	No
Mr. Kotula	Yes
Ms. Michaels	Yes
Mr. Shelkons	No
Mr. Stuban	Yes
Mr. Trzcianka	Yes
Ms. Montell	Yes

Five (5) yes Two (2) no motion carried.

**MOTION** by Mr. Stuban, second by Ms. Michaels to adopt ordinance, 944 setting the new property tax rate at 26.5 mills. Mr. Besong voted no.

**ROLL CALL** To raise taxes by one mill to 26.5 mills

Mr. Besong	No
Mr. Kotula	Yes
Ms. Michaels	Yes
Mr. Shelkons	Yes
Mr. Stuban	Yes
Mr. Trzcianka	Yes
Ms. Montell	Yes

Six (6) yes One (1) no motion carried.

**MOTION** by Mr. Stuban, second by Mr. Besong carried unanimously to authorize the engineer to do a weight limit study on our local roads, not to exceed \$4,000.

Mr. Stuban asked to have the President appoint a committee to review leasing office Space to the tax collector in the Borough Building for the ease of the taxpayers.

President Montell appointed Mr. Besong, Mr. Kotula and Mr. Shelkons to that committee Mayor Gagliardi offered to help the committee.

**Buildings, Property & Grounds (Bob Besong)**

Nothing to report.

**Public Safety & Community Relations (Ted Kotula)**

Mr. Kotula thanked Mr. Monk for his community service.

**Library**

Nothing to report.

**Public Works (Dave Trzcianka)**

Mr. Trzcianka reported the street sweeper was fixed.

**Recreation & Communications (Donna Michaels)**

Ms. Michaels reported that the Recreation Board purchased a lighted Christmas Sleigh for display.

**Sanitation, Recycling & Municipal Authority (Donna Michaels)**

Nothing to report.

**Solicitor's Report**

Nothing to report.

**Engineer's Report**

Nothing to report.

**Mayor's Report**

171 calls for the month

**President's Report**

Nothing to report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** by Ms. Michaels, second by Mr. Kotula, carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted for approval,



Michele J. Miketa

Clerk

December 14, 2015